

I CLAIM:

1. A bed panel assembly comprising:

a vertical bedpost;

5 a bed panel having a connecting end, said connecting end having a positioning piece projecting therefrom, said positioning piece having a neck portion connected to said connecting end, and a head portion opposite to said neck portion; and

10 a retaining unit mounted on said bedpost, and including a base plate and a retainer secured to and placed in face-to-face contact with said base plate, said base plate having a retaining hole with a large hole section, a small hole section, and a first passage between said large and small hole sections, said retainer
15 having a pair of resilient arms confining a clamping hole substantially in alignment with said small hole section, said resilient arms respectively including connecting ends which are interconnected, and free ends opposite to said connecting ends, said free ends defining
20 therebetween a second passage substantially in alignment with said first passage, said second passage being narrower than said first passage;

wherein said head portion has a cross-section greater than that of said small hole section and smaller than
25 that of said large hole section, said neck portion being movable between said large and small hole sections through said first passage, said clamping hole receiving

- said neck portion when said neck portion is disposed in said small hole section, said second passage having a normal size smaller than the cross-section of said neck portion to permit retention of said neck portion, said free ends being resiliently movable away from each other to enlarge said second passage when said neck portion is forced to pass through said second passage.
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2. The bed panel assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said vertical bedpost has an outer surface formed with a groove, said groove having a groove bottom face, said connecting end of said bed panel being received in said groove, said base plate of said retaining unit being mounted fixedly within said groove between said connecting end and said groove bottom face.
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3. The bed panel assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said retaining unit includes a plurality of said retaining holes in said base plate, and a plurality of said retainers associated respectively with said retaining holes.
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4. The bed panel assembly as claimed in Claim 2, wherein said base plate is secured to said groove bottom face, and said retainer is formed as a one-piece plate and is disposed between said groove bottom face and said base plate.
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5. The bed panel assembly as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said base plate further includes an engaging hole independently of said retaining hole, said retainer
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having a stud projecting into said engaging hole from said retainer.

6. The bed panel assembly as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said vertical bedpost further includes a recess formed
5 in said groove bottom face to receive said retainer, said recess having a cross-section greater than that of said retaining hole and greater than that of said retainer.